

**HB 3162 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery**

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/5, 5/10

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Designates May 22 of each year as Crater Lake National Park Day. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

*Ayes, 56; Excused, 4--Hudson, Leif, Nearman, Smith G*

*FISCAL: No fiscal impact*

*REVENUE: No revenue impact*

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- How Crater Lake was created
- Crater Lake is Oregon's only national park
- Opportunities for cross country skiing and biking around the crater rim

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

On May 22, 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt signed legislation establishing Crater Lake National Park. The first lodge in the park opened in 1915; the Rim Drive around the lake became available to the public in 1918. The lake itself, which was formed more than 7,000 years ago when an eruption triggered the collapse of Mount Mazama, is the deepest lake in the United States at nearly 2,000 feet. No waterways run in or out of the lake - the lake level is entirely dependent on precipitation.

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